

MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
HOPEWELL BOROUGH DISTRICT NO.1

February 12, 2020

PRESENT: Cmsr. Morehouse
Cmsr. Davies
Cmsr. Evans (arrived at 7:12)
Cmsr. Myers

ABSENT: Cmsr. Bovenizer

Call to Order: The scheduled meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners was called to order at 7:05 pm by Chairman Morehouse following proof of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was given through the Annual Meeting Notice and was filed with the municipal clerk, posted at the municipal building, the board's office, the fire district website, and advertised in the official newspapers of the district as required by law.

Minutes:

Motioned by Commissioner Davies and seconded by Commissioner Myers to approve the meeting minutes from the January 8, 2020 meeting. Motion approved with one absence.

Public Comment: No public comment.

Resolution 20-13

Motioned by Commissioner Davies and seconded by Commissioner Myers to pass the resolution approving payment for the Tanker. Motion passed with one absence.

Resolution 20-14

Motioned by Commissioner Davies and seconded by Commissioner Myers to pass the resolution approving payment for the Rescue truck. Motion passed with one absence.

Treasurer's Report: 20-15

A copy of the treasurer's report was made available to each commissioner with a list and description of the bills to be paid. The Chief Financial Officer certified that there were sufficient encumbered funds in the 2019 encumbered budget and the 2020 temporary and regular budget to pay the bills and designated the account to which each would be charged.

1. Bills were submitted to be paid from the 2019 encumbered budget in the amount of \$28,107.41, the 2020 temporary budget in the amount of \$15,185.52 and the 2020 regular budget for debt services in the amount of \$68,388.13 for a grand total of \$111,681.06
Motioned by Commissioner Evans and seconded by Commissioner Myers to pay the bills as submitted with a roll call vote.
2. The list of encumbrances from the 2019 encumbered budget, the 2020 temporary budget and the 2020 regular budget for debt services was given to the Board for review.

Commissioner Myers wanted to make sure the bill for the 9th district would be included on the next bill list so late penalties did not apply.

Hopewell Fire Department Administration:

The annual dinner dance is scheduled for February 15th at Cherry Valley Country Club. 115 people have RSVP'd to attend the dinner. There will be a Joint Officers meeting in March.

Ladies Auxiliary-

There was no one present to give a report.

EMU Chief Report:

There were 21 calls for January with 3 scratches. There are two people out of services due to medical reasons. There are 3 new EMT's. Deputy Tunison reported the squad was looking into several recruitment opportunities around the town. The ambulance committee is looking to cut down on some of the proposed amenities for the new ambulance. The power stretcher was discussed as well as ways to obtain a stretcher through fundraising. There was also a discussion about scratched calls.

Fire Chief Report:—There were 19 calls for the month of January. There was an MVA in Titusville's area where the wench had to be used. The Tanker went to Woodbridge for a recycle center fire. There was a chimney fire on Harbourton Woodsville Road. The fire department conducted a gear and pager audit. The Tanker had a tire problem which was repaired for under \$800.00. Chief Mullen is waiting for a quote on the new command vehicle. There should now only be 2 open purchase orders left for 2019.

Resolution 20-16

Motioned by Commissioner Evans and seconded by Commissioner Davies to pass the resolution approving Four Lanes End Fire Apparatus as the preventive maintenance company for the fire trucks for the year 2020.

Motion passed with one absence.

LOSAP-The list of eligible members for LOSAP was given to Commissioner Davies. He looked it over and did calculations and presented it to the Board.

Resolution 20-17

Motioned by Commissioner Davies and seconded by Commissioner Evans to pass the resolution accepting and authorizing the posting of the list of members eligible for the 2019 LOSAP program.

Motion was passed with one abstention and one absence.

Insurance-

No report.

Legal-

No report.

Fire Official Report: On file and a copy was provided to the Commissioners.

Committee Reports- None

The election was discussed. Commissioner Evans and Commissioner Bovenizer will open the election and close the election.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the board, on a motion by Cmsr. Evans and seconded by Cmsr. Davies and approved the meeting adjourned at 8:06. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board will be held on March 11, 2020.

